

813-815 Market Space, NW (Commercial Building)
(National Permanent Federal Savings)
Square 408, Lots 804 & 155
Washington
District of Columbia

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Washington, D.C. 20240

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STATE District of Columbia	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Washington
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 813-185 Market Space, NW (Commercial Building)		HABS NO. DC-453
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE "National Permanent Federal Savings"		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 813-815 Market Space, N.W., Square 408, Lots 804 and 15		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Parts of building on lot 804 are from a 1937 Post Office (see attached sheet #1)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This mid-Twentieth Century bank is comprised of dynamically arranged horizontal and vertical planes. The massing and materials are unsympathetic to the predominant character of the square that is created by its neighbors. Originally two separate structures, the buildings were united when the two facades were remodeled (see attached sheet #1)		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Modern, mid-Twentieth Century		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Steel reinforced concrete columns and exposed steel beams integrated with pre-existing load bearing brick walls; Market Space facade composed of green marble (see attached sheet #1)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular - approximately 25'x90'. Structure to the east is 1-1/2 stories tall and the tower to the west is four stories tall. Both sections reach rear property line.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE South Elevation - four story limestone clad office tower with no fenestrations on eastern half; horizontal mass of granite rests on four green marble clad pillars; recessed plate glass entrances spanning the entire width of eastern section. Relief sculpture of an eagle on granite clad upper floor was designed by Paul A. (see attached sheet #1)		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Completely modern open space on first floor; teller windows at east; rear space subdivided into offices; elevator and stairwell in southern portion of tower; rear half of eastern section has second floor accessible by staircase along north wall.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Modern facade over entire Market Space facade - Building Permit #B71777, 4/4/1961. New stairs, opening in party wall, refinish interior as per plans - Building Permit #B71777 4/4/1961. (See attached sheet #1).		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE VERY GOOD - Bank		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE This building lies within the boundaries of the Pennsylvania Avenue National Historic Site. It is scheduled for redevelopment as part of the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation's Historic Preservation Plan, 1977.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Washingtoniana Collection, Martin Luther King Memorial Library - plat map information, Records, National Archives - building permit information.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Bruce K. Deutsch, Anderson Notter/Mariani for		DATE 11/18/80

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DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) (cont'd.)

Substation and parts of building on Lot 15 are from a 1939 structure. (Permit #'s 200, 236, 3/31/1937 and 220, 789, 3/13/1939) respectively. Present facade and remodeling dates from 1961 (Building Permit #B71777, 4/4/1961).

SIGNIFICANCE (cont'd.)

as one and an opening was made in the party wall. The previous east building was a Post Office Substation. A retail store at one time occupied the west building.

MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (cont'd.)

and granite with a limestone clad office tower.

EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (cont'd.)

Goettelman. West Elevation - brick wall of previous structure with segmentally arched windows bricked over; star shaped bolts.

MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES (cont'd.)

Install one passenger elevator - Permit #B80430, 11/3/1961.